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**Desktop Publishing****Directions:**

Evaluate the student by checking the appropriate number or letter to indicate the degree of competency. The rating for each task should reflect **employability readiness** rather than the grades given in class.

**Rating Scale:**

- 3 Mastered** – can work independently with no supervision  
**2 Requires Supervision** – can perform job completely with limited supervision  
**1 Not Mastered** – requires instruction and close supervision  
**N No Exposure** – no experience or knowledge in this area

**NOTE:** \* = Core competencies (essential for the first day on the job).

3	2	1	N	A. Introductory Concepts	Notes:
				*1. Define terms related to desktop publishing	
				*2. Describe the functions of hardware components required for desktop publishing	
				3. Compare functions and features of software used for desktop publishing	
				*4. Label all components of the desktop	
				*5. Identify tools in toolbars and palettes	
				*6. Apply tools in toolbars and palettes	
				*7. Use editing tools (e.g., copy, cut, paste)	
				*8. Access available resources to solve problems (e.g., Internet, reference manuals, help screens)	
				*9. Manage electronic files	
				10. Identify differences between computer platforms	
				11. Explain copyright issues related to desktop publishing (e.g., legal, ethical)	
				12. Identify careers/self-employment opportunities in desktop publishing	
				*13. Complete a project using customer-supplied instructions and/or materials	
				Other:	

3	2	1	N	B. Layout	Notes:
				*1. Set margins	
				*2. Create columns	
				*3. Set guttering	
				*4. Set double-sided facing pages	
				*5. Create master pages	
				*6. Create an effective focal point	
				*7. Utilize pasteboard	

				8. Create templates	
				9. Modify templates	
				10. Apply layering techniques in publications	
				*11. Adjust or change color in a layout	
				*12. Create a template for a preprinted form (e.g., label, business card, pamphlet)	
				13. Print on a preprinted form (e.g., label, business card, pamphlet)	
				Other:	

3	2	1	N	C. Text	Notes:
				*1. Create a text block	
				*2. Import text files and word processing documents into publications	
				*3. Use text objects and associated features (e.g., word wrapping, drop caps, initial caps, sizing, color, linkage, frames)	
				*4. Adjust paragraph attributes	
				*5. Apply tabs and indents in text blocks	
				*6. Create a bulleted list using special characters (e.g., ®, ©, ™, opening and closing quotation marks, em and en dashes)	
				*7. Compose headlines and captions	
				*8. Proofread and correct errors	
				Other:	

3	2	1	N	D. Typography	Notes:
				*1. Measure type in points, picas, inches, and centimeters	
				2. Manage a font library	
				*3. Determine and adjust type attributes (e.g., bold, italics, underline, reverse, strike through)	
				*4. Determine and apply character and word spacing (e.g., tracking, kerning, widening, horizontal scale)	
				*5. Determine and apply leading	
				Other:	

3	2	1	N	E. Graphics	Notes:
				*1. Import graphics from various sources (e.g., software-specific library, other applications, internet)	
				*2. Manipulate graphics (e.g., resizing, cropping, scaling, rotating)	
				3. Edit graphics (e.g., color, filters, tints)	
				*4. Create scanned files	

				5. Create files from a digital camera	
				6. Determine appropriate file formats (e.g., bmp, tiff, jpeg, gif, pict, eps)	
				7. Download graphic files from Internet	
				8. Create original drawings in illustration software	
				9. Apply object linking in publications	
				Other:	

<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>F. Print Process</b>	<b>Notes:</b>
				*1. Select a network printer	
				*2. Select a direct printer	
				*3. Format document for selected printer	
				4. Describe characteristics and uses of basic color models (e.g., RGB, CMYK)	
				5. Explain preprint color requirements	
				6. Describe the purpose and process of color separation	
				7. Perform color separations	
				8. Prepare desktop publishing document for export to the Internet	
				Other:	

<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>G. Develop a Portfolio</b>	<b>Notes:</b>
				*1. Explain the purpose of portfolios	
				*2. Explain the reasons for selecting the pieces in the portfolio	
				*3. Create a flyer with text and graphics	
				*4. Produce an advertisement	
				*5. Create business forms (e.g., business cards, letterhead, desk notes)	
				*6. Create a resume	
				*7. Create multipage, multicolumn documents (e.g., newsletters, magazines)	
				*8. Create brochures (single or multiple pages)	
				*9. Create mailing pieces (e.g., product labels, business reply cards)	
				Other:	